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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST
FRIDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT
MARCH 12, 2021
THE ORDER OF MASS
THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE HYMN

“God Is Love, Let Heaven Adore Him”
ABBOT'S LEIGH

1. God is Love, let heav'n adore him; God is Love, let earth rejoice; Let creation sing before him. God who spreads the heav'n's above, God who breathes through all creation: God is Love, eternal Love.

2. God is Love; his love enfoldeth, All the world in one embrace: With unfailling grasp God holdeth, Every child of every race. And when human hearts are breaking, Under sorrows' iron rod. Then we find that selfsame acheing Deep within the heart of God.

3. God is Love; and though with blindness Sin afflicts all human life, God's eternal loving kindness Guides us through our earthly strife. Sin and death and hell shall never

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adapt. Litany of the Saints


Thus says the LORD:
Return, O Israel, to the LORD, your God;
you have collapsed through your guilt.
Take with you words,
and return to the LORD;
Say to him, “Forgive all iniquity,
and receive what is good, that we may render
as offerings the bullocks from our stalls.
Assyria will not save us,
nor shall we have horses to mount;
We shall say no more, ‘Our god,’
to the work of our hands;
for in you the orphan finds compassion.”
I will heal their defection, says the LORD,
I will love them freely;
for my wrath is turned away from them.
I will be like the dew for Israel:
he shall blossom like the lily;
He shall strike root like the Lebanon cedar,
and put forth his shoots.
His splendor shall be like the olive tree
and his fragrance like the Lebanon cedar.
Again they shall dwell in his shade
and raise grain;
They shall blossom like the vine,
and his fame shall be like the wine of Lebanon.
Ephraim! What more has he to do with idols?
I have humbled him, but I will prosper him.
“I am like a verdant cypress tree”–
Because of me you bear fruit!
Let him who is wise understand these things;
let him who is prudent know them.
Straight are the paths of the LORD,
in them the just walk,
but sinners stumble in them.
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.
I am the Lord your God: hear my voice.

An unfamiliar speech I hear:
    “I relieved his shoulder of the burden;
    his hands were freed from the basket.
In distress you called, and I rescued you.”

“Unseen, I answered you in thunder;
    I tested you at the waters of Meribah.
Hear, my people, and I will admonish you;
    O Israel, will you not hear me?”

“There shall be no strange god among you
    nor shall you worship any alien god.
I, the LORD, am your God
    who led you forth from the land of Egypt.”

“If only my people would hear me,
    and Israel walk in my ways,
I would feed them with the best of wheat,
    and with honey from the rock I would fill them.”

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
One of the scribes came to Jesus and asked him, “Which is the first of all the commandments?”

Jesus replied, “The first is this:

Hear, O Israel!
The Lord our God is Lord alone!
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul,
with all your mind,
and with all your strength.
The second is this:
You shall love your neighbor as yourself.
There is no other commandment greater than these.”

The scribe said to him, “Well said, teacher. You are right in saying,
He is One and there is no other than he.
And to love him with all your heart,
with all your understanding,
with all your strength,
and to love your neighbor as yourself
is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices.”

And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him,
“You are not far from the Kingdom of God.”

And no one dared to ask him any more questions.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

SANCTUS

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Mystery of Faith

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We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again, until you come again.

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GREAT AMEN

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The Communion Rite

The Lord’s Prayer

Agnus Dei

ed. Vat. XVIII

The reception of Holy Communion is the most sacred act for Catholics. We believe that we are then receiving the Body and Blood of Christ. Catholics who are properly prepared should approach the ministers of Holy Communion.

We ask non-Catholics not to receive. They are encouraged, however, to come forward with arms crossed over their heart to receive a blessing.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.
1. Where charity and love prevail,
2. With grateful joy and holy fear
3. Forgive we now each other's faults
4. Let strife among us be unknown,
5. Let us recall that in our midst
6. No race nor creed can love exclude,

1. There God is ever found; Brought here together
2. His charity we learn; Let us with heart and
3. As we our faults confess; And let us love each
4. Let all contention cease; Be his the glory
5. Dwells God's begotten Son; As members of his
6. If honored be God's name; Our brotherhood em-

1. by Christ's love, By love are we thus bound.
2. mind and soul Now love him in return.
3. other well In Christian holiness.
4. that we seek, Be ours his holy peace.
5. body joined, We are in him made one.
6. braces all Whose Father is the same.

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1. Have mercy, Lord, on us, For thou art ever kind; Though we have sinned before thee, Lord, Thy mercy let us find.
2. Lord, wash away our guilt, And cleanse us from our sin; For we confess our wrongs and see how great our guilt hath been.
3. The joy thy grace can give Let us again obtain; And may thy Spirit then sustain.
4. To God the Father, Son, And Spirit glory be, Who was and is and shall be so For all eternity.
GUIDELINES FOR THE RECEPTION OF COMMUNION

FOR CATHOLICS
As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (Code of Canon Law, canon 916). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

FOR OUR FELLOW CHRISTIANS
We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ’s prayer for us “that they may all be one” (John 17:21).

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission according to the directives of the diocesan bishop and the provisions of canon law (canon 844 §4). Members of Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own Churches. According to Roman Catholic Discipline, the Code of Canon Law does not object to the reception of Communion by Christians of these Churches (canon 844 §3).

FOR THOSE NOT RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION
All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

FOR NON-CATHOLICS
We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

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